



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
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**SPECIAL SESSION OF TRIBAL COUNCIL
MARCH 6, 1999, 4:00 PM**

MINUTES

The Special Meeting was called to order by B. Willis, Council Speaker and Acting Ogema. The Council Secretary, C. Fisher, took roll call. Don Koon was absent (due to health reasons). All other members of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council were present.

For the record, it should be noted that this Special Session of the Tribal Council was duly called according to the Constitution, including appropriate meeting notice. The agenda consisted of three gaming-related agenda items. These, as well as their disposition, are outlined as follows:

A. APPROVAL AND CONSENT TO MANISTEE ORCHARDS, INC., TO GRANT EASEMENT TO CONSUMERS ENERGY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC LINE ON EDGE OF 187.84 ACREA PARCEL THE TRIBE IS PURCHASING BY LAND CONTRACT.

After presentation by B. Brooks and a brief discussion, the Tribal Council approved the easement for underground electric line on the edge of the property as noted above. Voting record was 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent, 0 abstentions.

B. RESOLUTION APPROVING GRANT OF AN EASEMENT TO CONSUMERS ENERGY TO SERVE GAMING PROPERTY AND WAIVING COMPENSATION FOR GRANTING SUCH EASEMENT.

It is noted that agenda item B is related to agenda item A. As requested, this agenda item was approved by resolution by the Tribal Council on this date. Again, voting record was 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent, 0 abstentions.

C. APPROVAL OF INTERIOR DESIGN ITEMS FOR INTERIM FACILITY.

Cunningham-Limp was scheduled to make a presentation to the Elders regarding elements of the interior design in order to obtain community input. The Tribal Council was then scheduled to entertain this matter officially and make related approvals so as

not to delay the project. It had been noted that there were ordering deadlines associated with some of the required purchases. Cunningham-Limp/North American Gaming were not able to put together all of the work related to this in time for the scheduled presentation. As a result, the Tribal Council tabled this agenda item. It can be noted that J. Hopper, Cunningham-Limp did make a (general) presentation to the Elders which was limited to discussing the construction status and plans which was followed by a site visit that some of the Tribal Council members also took advantage of. The issue of interior design elements for the interim casino will need to be addressed at some point in the near future.

The Tribal Council meeting of March 6, 1999 adjourned at approximately 4:15 PM unanimously (among the Tribal Council member's present) after motion and support.